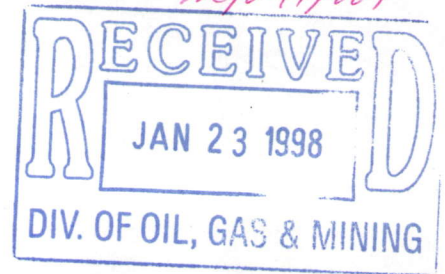


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**RE: Annual Report for Year 1997**

**Dear Mr. Hedberg:**

**Enclosed is Tintic Utah Metals LLC's annual report on mining operations and is in compliance with Rule R647-3-116 and R647-4-121 of the Division's Amended and New Rules, Minerals Reclamation Program.**

**Sincerely,**

**Paul C. Spor  
Acting Executive Director**